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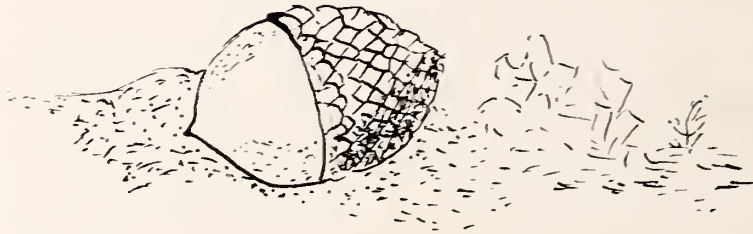
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Acorn



JOHNSTON COUNTY HERITAGE CENTER
SMITHFIELD, N.C.

-----though small holds pleasant
memories of high school days.



The 1950 ACORN published by
the Senior Class-----



-----presents

"A Comedy of School Days"



Jean Dodd
Associate Editor

Mary Anne Baker
Editor-in-Chief

Clifton Johnson
Business Manager

Wilma Jean Lee
Assistant Business Manager

Sarah Mitchell, Art Editor
Miss Margaret Tabor, Adviser

Since in our school life we find all the elements
of a drama, the 1949-1950 Acorn Staff agreed
that "The play's the thing" for showing
the classes and activities-----



The Stage

----- at Four Oaks High School





Dedication

WE DEDICATE THE 1950 ACORN TO
Mr. John Thel Smith

We admire him for his high standards
of sportsmanship; we esteem him for his
sympathy and understanding.



The Director
Mr. J. T. Hatcher

Important Members of the Cast
Class Officers



Deane Blackmon
Vice-President

Margaret Lee
Secretary

Margaret Overman
Treasurer

Shirley Lassiter
President

Production Heads



Top Row

Mrs. Earnest Allen, Senior Homeroom, Typing, Business Arithmetic.

Mrs. Lehman Barnes, Freshman Homeroom, Algebra, English.

Mrs. Jarvis Bryant, Piano.

Miss Mildred Bullard, Freshman Homeroom, Home Economics.

Mr. James Bryan Creech, Sophomore Homeroom, Science.

Miss Thelma Gunnerson, Geography.

Mr. J. T. Hatcher, Principal, Geometry.

Second Row

Mrs. J. T. Hatcher, Sophomore Homeroom, Algebra.

Third Row

Miss Tassie Langley, Freshman Homeroom, English, Civics.

Miss Lenora Patterson, Librarian.

Mrs. William Raines, Piano.

Mr. John Sanderson, Agriculture, Shop.

Miss Iris Scarborough, Public School Music.

Fourth Row

Mr. John T. Smith, Junior Homeroom, Social Science.

Fifth Row

Miss Margaret Tabor, Senior Homeroom, English, Latin.

Sixth Row

Mrs. E. V. Wilkins, Junior Homeroom, Speech, English.

Stars

SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT



Shirley Lassiter

Acorn Club (3), 4-H Club (1), Cheer-leader (1), F. H. A. Club (2), Latin Club (2), Monogram Club (1), Sophomore Vice-President, Senior Class President, Home Room Chairman during Junior year, Secretary of Monogram Club, Secretary of F. H. A., Vice-President of F. H. A., Secretary of Latin Club, Pianist for 4-H Club.

MASCOTS



Deborah Lee

Jackie Austin

Stars

Geraldine Adams

Glee Club (4), Glee Club Sec. (1), 4-H Club (2), Acorn Club (2), "500" Club (1), Oak Leaf Staff (4), Bus Drivers' Club (1).



Betty Pearle Allen

4-H Club (4), Glee Club (1), Sophomore Homeroom Sec., Basketball Team (2), Basketball Team Captain (1), Acorn Club Trophy Winner (1), Softball Team (1), Oak Leaf Staff (1).

Elgie Allen

Latin Club Vice Pres. (1), Glee Club (3), Oak Leaf Staff (1), Student Council (1), 4-H Club (2), Bus Drivers' Club (1), Acorn Club (1).



Marie Allen

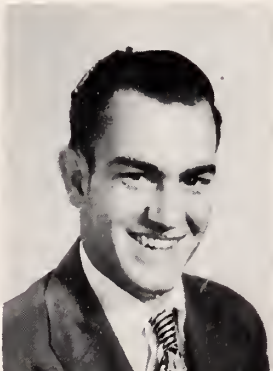


Rachel Allen

Senior Homeroom Treasurer, Basketball Team (3), Acorn Club (3), Softball Team (2).

Mary Anne Baker

Junior Class Pres., Cheerleader (2), Student Council (1), Annual Editor-In-Chief, Monogram Club (1), Oak Leaf Staff (1).



Esemond Barbour

Bus Drivers' Club (1).

Sherrill Barefoot

Stars



Valton Batten



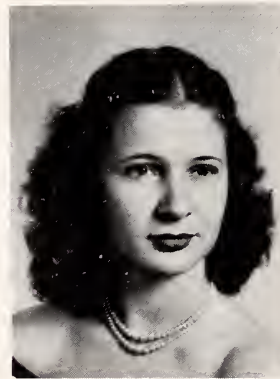
Deane Blackmon

Freshman Class Sec., Sophomore Homeroom Chairman, Student Council (1), Library Staff (1), Senior Class Vice-Pres., Oak Leaf Staff (2), Latin Club Treasurer (1).



Rudolph Blackmon

Bus Drivers' Club (1)

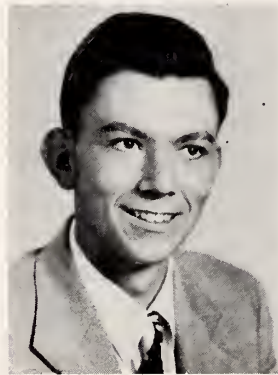


Lena Rose Braswell

Freshman Homeroom Chairman, Softball Team (2).

Fred Byrd

Bus Drivers' Club (1), 4-H Club (3).



Ruby Capps



Lucille Creech

F.H.A. Club (1).



Jean Dodd

F.H.A. Club (2), Acorn Club (2), Latin Club (2), Junior Homeroom Chairman, 4-H Club (2), 4-H Club Vice-Pres. (1), Library Staff (3), Annual Staff (1), "500" Club (1), Oak Leaf Staff (2).



Stars

Eunice Dunn

Freshman Homeroom Chairman, Glee Club (4), Glee Club Treasurer (2), Sophomore Homeroom Chairman, F.H.A. Club Pres. (1), Student Council (1), Acorn Club (1), Debate Team (2), Oak Leaf Staff (2), Oak Leaf Editor-In-Chief (1), Chief Marshal (1), "500" Club (1).

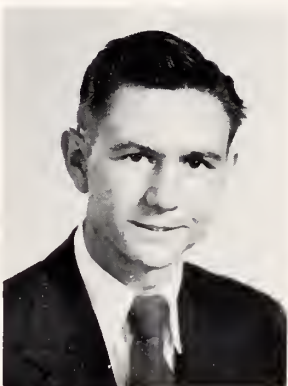
Pauline Dunn

Glee Club (1).

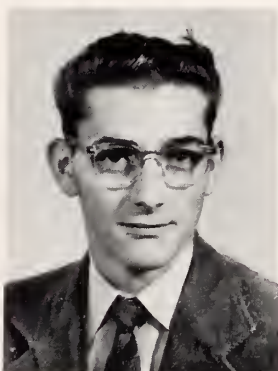


William Dunn

Bus Drivers' Club (1).



Katie Evans



Owen Evans

Billy Ford

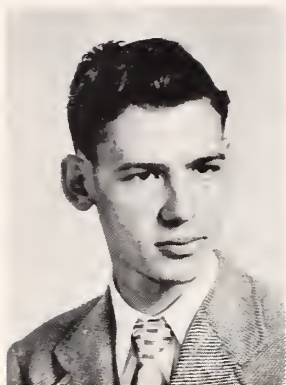
Oak Leaf Staff (1), Glee Club (1), (In Severn, N. C.) Freshman Vice-Pres., Sophomore Class Sec., Junior Class Sec., Basketball Team (3), Baseball Team (3), F.F.A. Club (2).



Laverne Hargis

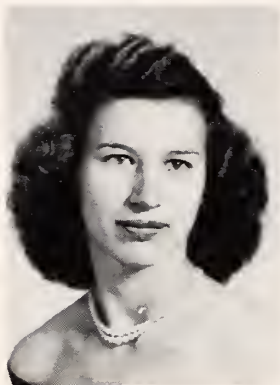
Hilda Hayes

Stars



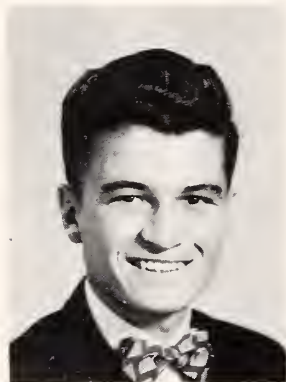
Clifton Johnson

Annual Staff Business Manager, Bus Drivers' Club (1), Monogram Club (1), Student Council (1), Baseball Team (1).



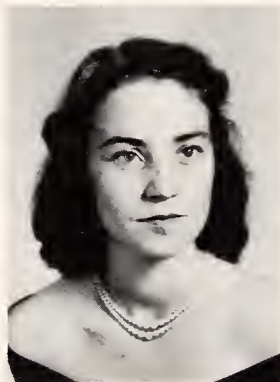
Edna Johnson

Glee Club (1), 4-H Club (3).



Jerry Johnson

Basketball Team (4), Baseball Team (2), Monogram Club Pres. (1), Bus Drivers' Club Sec. (1), Basketball Team Captain (3), Basketball Trophy Winner (1).



Mary Lou Johnson

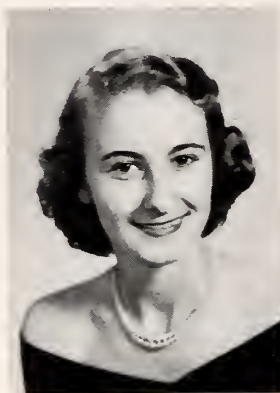
Acorn Club (2), Acorn Club Sec. (1), Student Council (1), Monogram Club (1), Basketball Team (3).

Joanne Lassiter

Glee Club (2), Latin Club (2), F.H.A. Club (1), Acorn Club (2), "500" Club (1), Bus Drivers' Club (1), Oak Leaf Staff (1).

Matilda Lassiter

Glee Club (1), Latin Club (2).



Catherine Lee

Freshman Class Pres., Sophomore Class Pres., Glee Club (2), Acorn Club (1), "500" Club (2), 4-H Club (3), 4-H Club Pres. (1), F.H.A. Club (1), Student Council (3), Student Council Pres. (1), Oak Leaf Staff (1), Library Staff (1), Marshal (1), Latin Club (2).

Margaret Lee

Senior Class Sec., Bus Drivers' Club (1), Acorn Club (3), Monogram Club (1), Basketball Team (4), Basketball Team Captain (1), Oak Leaf Staff (1), Softball Team (2).



Stars

Neta Lee

Student Council (3), Cheerleader (1), Junior Homeroom Chairman, Library Staff Pres. (1), Glee Club (4), Glee Club Pres. (1), Student Council Sec. (1), Bus Drivers' Club Pres. (1), Acorn Club (1), "500" Club (2), Latin Club (2), Latin Club Pres. (1), Marshal (1).

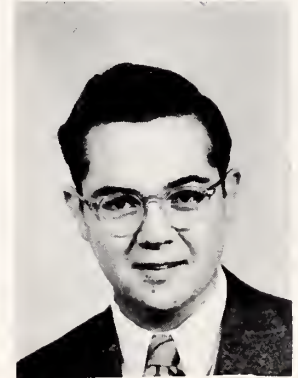
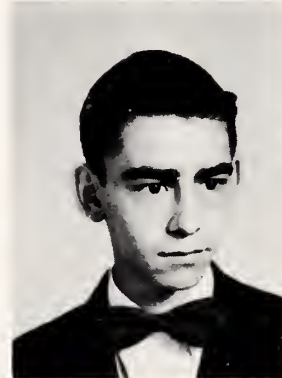


Wilma Jean Lee

4-H Club (1), Acorn Club (2), Glee Club Pres. (1), Glee Club (4), Library Staff (1), "500" Club Pres. (1), Oak Leaf Staff (1), Annual Staff (1), Bus Drivers' Club (1).

Bobby Massengill

Acorn Club (3), Junior Homeroom Chairman, Marshal (1), Cheerleader (2), Student Council Vice-Pres. (1), Monogram Club (1).



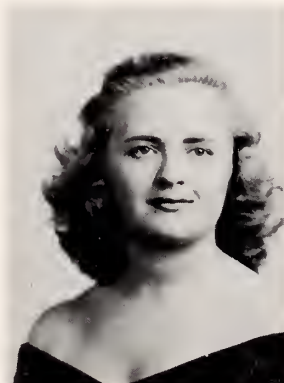
Wade Massengill

Glee Club (4), Glee Club Accompanist, Glee Club Pres. (2), Acorn Club (1), Student Council (2), Senior Homeroom Chairman, Oak Leaf Staff (4), Marshal (1), "500" Club (2), Latin Club (2).



Wilma Massengill
Oak Leaf Staff (1).

Sarah Mitchell
Glee Club (3), Annual Staff (1).



Shirley Jean Morris
4-H Club (2), Acorn Club (3), Library Staff (1), Freshman Homeroom Chairman, Senior Homeroom Treasurer, Freshman Homeroom Secretary.

Doris Munden
Freshman Class Secretary

Stars



Margaret Overman

Sophomore Class Treasurer, Junior Class Treasurer, Senior Class Treasurer.



Emma Lou Parker

4-H Club (2), Glee Club (2), Senior Homeroom Chairman.



Evelyn Parker

Oak Leaf Staff (1).



Hilda Parker

Freshman Homeroom Treasurer.

Imogene Parker

Mary Elizabeth Powell
Glee Club (3).



Catherine Raynor
Freshman Homeroom Treasurer.

Juanita Register
Oak Leaf Staff (1), Monogram Club (1), Glee Club (1), Basketball Team (3).



Stars

Seth Rose

Student Council (1), Glee Club (1).

Billy Wood Sanders

Acorn Club (3), Student Council (1), Basketball Team (2), Acorn Club Vice-Pres. (1), 4-H Club (3).

Doris Snead

Junior Class Sec., Acorn Club Sec. (1), F.H.A. Sec. (1), Senior Homeroom Sec.

Waylon Snead, Jr.

Basketball Team (4), Monogram Club (1), Oak Leaf Staff (1), Bus Drivers' Club (1), Student Council (1), 4-H Club (4).

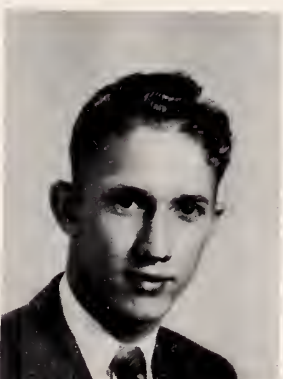


James Earl Stanley

Library Staff (1), Acorn Club (3).

Maude Thrower

Student Council (1).



Kathleen Upchurch

Garland West

Bus Drivers' Club (1), Junior Homeroom Chairman, Oak Leaf Staff (1).

History

In September 1946 we, now the Seniors, entered Four Oaks High School as Freshmen. There was a crowd of us then. Alas! What has happened to many of that number?

The idea of taking only four subjects and changing classes was a new-fangled one which proved to be exciting. All of us had anticipated the first day and we were all in a roar.

It took a few days for us to learn where to go when the buzzer buzzed, but we soon became accustomed to that.

At our first class meeting Catherine Lee was elected president of our class and with the help of our skilled teachers - Miss McMillan, Miss Tolbert, and Miss Patterson - and the other officers she led us through a successful year. All the students didn't take the same subjects. Algebra proved to be a favorite subject; Latin, tough, but interesting; English had its difficulties; civics was enjoyed under Mr. McLamb's instruction; and home economics under the guidance of Miss Tolbert was both interesting and helpful for the girls. At the end of the term we found that some of us had failed to do our duties, but the majority came through the last examinations to enter the next term as Sophomores.

At the beginning of the next term, we found that some had quit school, married, or moved. The rest, though, found themselves as sophisticated Sophomores. At our first class meeting again we elected Catherine Lee president. Our teachers for this year were Mrs. Wilkins and Mrs. Hatcher. Our task to become educated seemed to get a little tougher. Latin was a headache, and all the girls worked for Miss Tolbert even harder than the year before, learning to cook and to make suitable clothes for a school girl. We had a few more activities this year. Among these were our class party and the class picnic at Holt's Lake. These and other doings kept us busy during our sophomore year.

The summer vacation passed and we returned to dear Four Oaks High in September and entered as Juniors. We found our homeroom teachers for this year were Mr. Smith and Miss Patterson. Mary Anne Baker was elected president and Margaret Lee, vice-president. Through cooperation and a good school spirit we succeeded in doing our part. Our activities for the junior year were more noteworthy and therefore will be remembered longer. How we still recollect the days of selling magazines and Christmas cards, and sponsoring the Sauline Players in order to give the Seniors the banquet, which was held at the new gym! It was a Christmas banquet with all the trimmings and was the social event of the year. Memory brings back also the class party and the picnic which were enjoyed by all the Juniors.

All our Junior activities ended and we found ourselves back at home for the summer vacation, anticipating the moment in the fall of 1949 when we would become Seniors.

At the beginning of the next term in the fall of 1949, we were a class of fifty-seven Seniors. For eleven years we had looked forward to this last and senior year. We had had many days and hours of trials but they had turned out for the best.

Our teachers for our last year were Mrs. Allen and Miss Tabor. When our first class meeting was held Shirley Lassiter was elected president; Deane Blackmon, vice-president; Margaret Lee, secretary; and Margaret Overman, treasurer. These officers were successful in guiding the class through the strenuous senior year.

Days which were very exciting followed the election of officers. There was the day when our rings came. Never shall we forget that, then the trip to Atlantic Christian College to see "Twelfth Night". The night of the "Oak Leaf" party was a highlight occasion. Just around the corner was the Halloween Carnival with the Hall of Horror and other ghostly places. The class party held in the library was greatly enjoyed.

When we look back over our senior year, we find some achievements to our credit. We sponsored the school paper, "The Oak Leaf", furnished the Student Council its major officers, had leading members in all the clubs, and published the second year-book of Four Oaks High.

On the high school stage we have played many parts - often indifferently; but as the curtain falls upon the final act of our play, we wish to make our exit as well-graced actors, a credit to the school which has been our stage. On the larger stage of life some of us may become greater actors than others; but whether our parts are large or small, we all will continue to love and cherish Four Oaks High School.

Margaret Lee
Historian

Poem

WISHFUL THINKING

The whistle blew for us tonight;
The guards all took their place.
We saw the other team come out;
Their forwards sneered in our face.

Lu Lu first had the ball at center.
"She made two points", said Glen.
Then came the ball to us and swish!
The score was tied right then.

The crowd was cheering loud for us.
We smiled from ear to ear.
We played that half as best we could--
We thought we'd win this year.

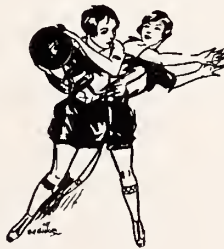
Lu Lu obtained the ball again,
But missed the goal at last.
Our guards brought down the ball to us;
We made two points real fast.

Two points we now were leading them.
We tried to freeze the ball,
When Rose fell down upon my leg.
"A foul", I heard "Ref" call.

The whistle blew; we stopped and looked.
The "Ref" then said, "That's all!"
How we did shout with pride and joy
And kissed the basketball!

The game was won; and Smithfield, mad,
Gave us an icy stare.
They glared, and glared, with rage and scorn
Just as we used to glare.

--Juanita Register.



Prophecy

The curtain rises on the performance of "Ten Years After". Marvel Starr, the former Mary Anne Baker, looks down into the orchestra pit and winks at the orchestra leader, Wade Massengill.

After the performance, Miss Starr and Mr. Massengill are holding a little social get together for their classmates of 1950.

The performance is over and the scene swiftly switches to beautiful mink coats and high silk hats passing through the door of Miss Starr's penthouse.

First to arrive is William Ford, the famous lawyer, who is handling alimony suits for Clifton Johnson, New York's number one playboy. William Dunn, theatrical producer, enters with his most recent discovery, The Dillies, who are composed of Deane Blackmon, Elgie Allen, and Neta Lee. Rudolph Blackmon, the model king, comes strolling in with his two gorgeous models, Margaret Overman and Shirley Lassiter.

In one corner of the room we see Jerry Johnson, the world's champion boxer, hiding behind his manager, James Earl Stanley. Jerry is trying to protect himself from the vicious ladies.

Straight from the "Met" come our contributions to the famed Metropolitan Ballet Company: Doris Snead, Shirley Jean Morris, Maude Thrower, Doris Munden, Catherine Raynor, and Lucille Creech.

As the guests keep arriving, in come the costume designers for all the better plays in New York, Juanita Register, Jean Dodd, and Lena Rose Braswell. Coming through the door are Katie Evans and Bobby Massengill, a dancing team which has just completed an engagement at the Diamond Horseshoe. Following them are Eunice Dunn, Joanne Lassiter, Mary Elizabeth Powell, and Wilma Jean Lee, who compose a piano quartet which is highly popular in New York. Skipping through the door the Parker Girls file in. They are Emma Lou, Evelyn, Hilda, and Imojean. These girls have New York's society gasping at their shocking acrobatic stunts.

Through the door come the giggling girls. As we look closer we see that they are the chorus line from the Stork Club. As we look even closer we see that they are Matilda Lassiter, Pauline Dunn, Rachel Allen, Edna Johnson, Hilda Hayes, and Ruby Capps.

All the way from Hollywood come Seth Rose, Esemond Barbour, and Valton Batten, who are big movie producers. With them are their private pilot, Billy Wood Sanders, and their able hostesses, Mary Lou Johnson and Laverne Hargis.

The atmosphere suddenly goes untheatrical when Garland West, present mayor of Four Oaks, enters with our two congresswomen, Margaret Lee and Catherine Lee.

Wilma Lee Massengill and Sarah Mitchell are rather late as they had to lecture at the art gallery before they could come.

Better late than never the stag line files in. These happy gentlemen are Sherrill Barefoot, Fred Byrd, Owen Evans, and Waylon Snead.

Due to working hours, Geraldine Adams, Betty Pearle Allen, Kathleen Upchurch, and Marie Allen, who are staff secretaries at the Waldorf Astoria, come in late.

As we check around the room, we see that everyone is here for a very happy time.

Mary Anne Baker and Wade Massengill

Class Prophets

Class Poem

TRIBUTE

We, members of the '50 class,
Would tribute pay, with heart and mind,
To Four Oaks School before we pass
And leave our school days far behind.

The walls and grounds, to the very edge,
Hold tender memories, old and new.
Earnestly, silently we pledge
To our Alma Mater to be true.

We give our gratitude sincere
To teachers, kindly, faithful, true,
Who've guided us from year to year
In all the things we've tried to do.

When commencement comes and ends
Twelve good years we praise in rhyme,
Good luck to you, classmates, friends,
Proven by the test of time.

We love you, Four Oaks High.
You've shared our joy and our mirth;
We leave you with a parting sigh,
For you're the grandest school on earth.

-Mary Anne Baker

Senior Class Song

The Senior Class of Four Oaks High
Excels the rest we all agree.
It is the best class-the good old fifty class,
And good leaders we will be;
And when the next class comes along,
They'll look at us and follow on.
We will be happy that we stood the test.
Oh, Senior Class, you have conquered many
hardships here,
And, Senior Class, you'll remember each and
every year.
Down the road of life then we onward press
our way.
Work for the honor of old Four Oaks High.

Superlatives



MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED
Catherine Lee
Wade Massengill



MOST COURTEOUS
Doris Snead
Billy Ford



CUTEST
Margaret Overman
Bobby Massengill

BEST-LOOKING
Margaret Overman
Clifton Johnson



MOST POPULAR
Mary Ann Baker
Clifton Johnson

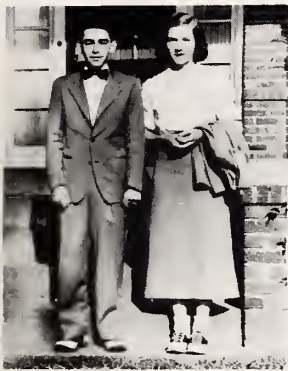


MOST TALENTED
Wilma Jean Lee
Wade Massengill

**MOST PLEASING
PERSONALITY**
Shirley Lassiter
Clifton Johnson



Superlatives



BEST DRESSED
Deane Blackmon
Bobby Massengill



FRIENDLIEST
Emma Lou Parker
James Earl Stanley



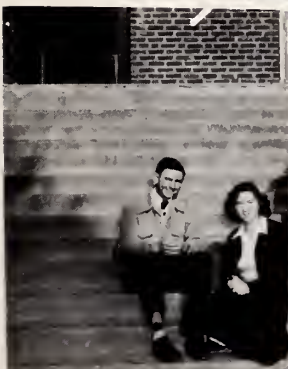
BEST-ALL-AROUND
Margaret Lee
Bobby Massengill



BEST SPORT
Juanita Register
Waylon Snead



BEST ATHLETE
Betty Pearl Allen
Jerry Johnson



WITTIEST
Rachel Allen
William Dunn



MOST INTELLECTUAL
Eunice Dunn
Wade Massengill

Will

State of North Carolina
County of Johnston

City of Four Oaks
Four Oaks High School

We, the Senior Class of nineteen hundred and fifty, being of sound mind and a generous nature, do hereby make this our last will and testament. We make the following bequests:

ARTICLE I. To the Juniors we leave our dignity, a quality every Senior possesses, and our wonderful co-operative spirit.

ARTICLE II. To the Sophomores we leave our sympathy, because the next two years are rough.

ARTICLE III. To the Freshmen we leave the long, hard road we've traveled.

ARTICLE IV. To all the future Seniors we leave our dignified classrooms, complete with hand engraved desk tops and chewing gum covered seat bottoms.

ARTICLE V. To our teachers we leave our heartfelt appreciation and our determination to be a credit to them.

ARTICLE VI. To all the high school girls the Senior boys leave loads of love.

ARTICLE VII. The Senior members of the baseball and basketball teams leave four pairs of glasses to the officials of next year's games.

ARTICLE VIII. Valton Batten leaves his shyness to Harold Lee. Harold, use at least a little of it.

ARTICLE IX. Bobby Massengill leaves to Linwood Barbour his ability to dance, and a bottle of reducing pills.

ARTICLE X. Juanita Register leaves her snazzy "hookshots" to Laura Beth Sanders. Don't let her down, Laura Beth.

ARTICLE XI. Lucille Creech leaves her "True Romances" to Anne Grady. Read them carefully, Anne. They might prove useful.

ARTICLE XII. Elgie Allen leaves her cute ways to Christine Hockaday. Use them sparingly, Chris.

ARTICLE XIII. Billy Ford leaves his soft spoken charms and nonchalant mannerisms to Haywood Lee to beguile many feminine hearts.

ARTICLE XIV. Doris Snead leaves her sweet disposition to Jean Lassiter.

ARTICLE XV. Wade Massengill leaves his musical talents to "Pete" Lassiter. That's something to really appreciate, "Pete".

ARTICLE XVI. Mary Anne Baker leaves her enchanting ways and captivating gestures to Laura Beth Sanders. Use them to the best advantage, Laura Beth.

ARTICLE XVII. Waylon Snead leaves his big shoes and his place on the basketball team to Billy Adams. Fill that empty place as well as you do the shoes, Bill.

ARTICLE XVIII. Bill Ford leaves his place as the only boy in the English class and his title of the "most courteous boy" to any boy with the "grit" to endure it.

ARTICLE XIX. Imojean Parker leaves her vain ways to Jean Massengill. She decided to keep her friendliness.

ARTICLE XX. Betty Pearle Allen leaves her remarkable ability as a basketball guard to Jean Lassiter.

ARTICLE XXI. Geraldine Adams leaves her tendency to be talkative to Sylvia Brock.

ARTICLE XXII. Neta Lee leaves her versatility to Edna Mahler.

ARTICLE XXIII. Rachel Allen leaves her witty statements to Barbara Stanley.

ARTICLE XXIV. Doris Snead leaves her courteous ways to Shirley Smith. They'll prove handy things to have around, Shirley!

ARTICLE XXV. Juanita Register and Waylon Snead leave their qualities of good sportsmanship to Airlee Barbour and Mack Johnson.

ARTICLE XXVI. Deane Blackmon leaves her "knack" for dressing well to Gladys Hatcher. That's a fine thing to have, Gladys.

ARTICLE XXVII. Emma Lou Parker and James Earl Stanley leave their friendliness to Jewel Lassiter and J. G. Medlin.

ARTICLE XXVIII. William Dunn leaves his love for making wise cracks to Billy Ray Lassiter. (Not that he really needs it.)

ARTICLE XXIX. Mary Anne Baker and Clifton Johnson leave their popularity to Fay Brown and Maurice Canaday.

ARTICLE XXX. Garland West leaves his boisterousness to Stephen Morris. Don't get too many minus points with it, Stephen.

ARTICLE XXXI. Bobby Massengill leaves his reputation of being the best dressed boy to Billy Hockaday.

ARTICLE XXXII. Wilma Jean Lee leaves her musical talents to Barbara Stanley.

ARTICLE XXXIII. Shirley Lassiter and Clifton Johnson leave their pleasing personalities to Rose Barefoot and J. G. Medlin.

ARTICLE XXXIV. Eunice Dunn and Wade Massengill leave their intellectual abilities to Alma Jean Blackmon and Charles Capps.

ARTICLE XXXV. Margaret Overman leaves her good looks to Dorothy Jean Temple.

ARTICLE XXXVI. Doris Munden leaves her golden locks to Jo Ann Lee.

ARTICLE XXXVII. Catherine Lee leaves her innate qualities of leadership to Gladys Hatcher.

Will

ARTICLE XXXVIII. Margaret Lee leaves her lovable personality to Marjorie Barefoot.

ARTICLE XXXIX. Joanne Lassiter leaves her quiet ways and place on the honor roll to Mary Jane Upchurch.

ARTICLE XL. Seth Rose leaves his dimples to Harrison Allen. Smile now.

ARTICLE XLI. Jerry Johnson leaves his position as captain of the basketball team to Maurice Canaday. We're not going to let him have those good looks to anyone. They are too becoming to him.

ARTICLE XLII. Lena Rose Braswell leaves her ability to get a husband to Brookie Strickland.

ARTICLE XLIII. Marie Allen leaves her height to Kay Frances Barbour.

ARTICLE XLIV. Billy Wood Sanders leaves his courtesy and ability to get along with people to Lindsey Parker.

ARTICLE XLV. Jean Dodd leaves her co-operative spirit to Barbara Mayes.

ARTICLE XLVI. Wilma Massengill and Sarah Mitchell leave their art abilities to Peggy Gilbert and Gladys Hatcher.

ARTICLE XLVII. Sherrill Barefoot leaves his interest in airplanes to Edward Lassiter.

ARTICLE XLVIII. Pauline Dunn, Mary Elizabeth Powell, Kathleen Upchurch, and Juanita Register leave their ability to get diamonds to girls who really want them.

ARTICLE XLIX. Matilda Lassiter leaves her time each day at the pencil trimmer to Peggy Powell.

ARTICLE L. Fred Byrd leaves his horse laugh to W. S. Jones.

ARTICLE LI. Mary Lou Johnson leaves her place on the basketball team to anyone willing to work for it.

ARTICLE LII. Hilda Hayes leaves her nice personality to Shirley Moore.

ARTICLE LIII. Catherine Raynor, Katie Evans, and Maude Thrower leave their place at the mirror to Marjorie Barbour, Velma Smith, and Margie Lee.

ARTICLE LIV. Edna Johnson, Shirley Jean Morris, and Evelyn Parker leave their wonderful dispositions to Doris Jean Allen, Ethelene McCabe and Reece Barbour.

ARTICLE LV. Esemond Barbour, Rudolph Blackmon, and Owen Evans leave their surplus book reports to Kenneth Barbour, Carl Langdon, and Edward Lassiter.

ARTICLE LVI. Hilda Parker, Laverne Hargis, and Ruby Capps leave their quiet ways to Brookie Strickland, Mary Jane Upchurch, and Gray Hayes.

ARTICLE LVII. The entire Senior Class leaves its appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Austin and Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Lee for contributing our mascots, Jackie and Deborah, respectively.

Subscribed and sealed by the Senior Class, testators below named, as and for our last will, in the presence of each of us, and in the presence of witnesses, on this seventh day of January, year of our Lord, nineteen hundred fifty, at the Four Oaks High School,
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The Senior Class--William H. Ford, attorney.

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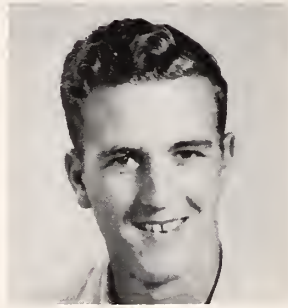
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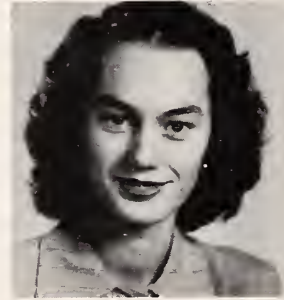
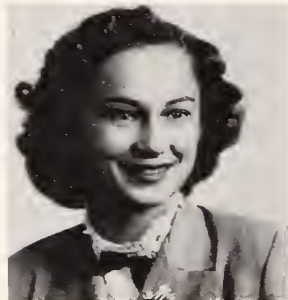
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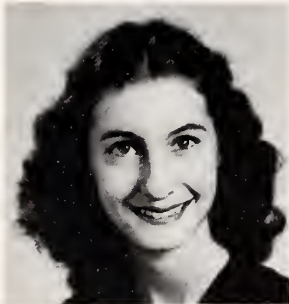
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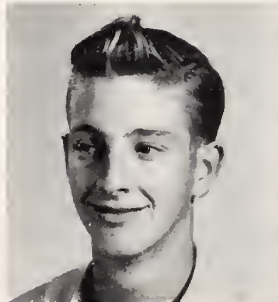
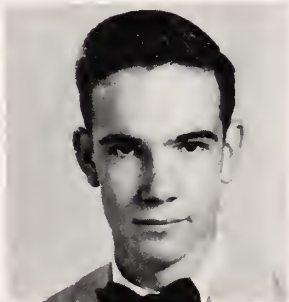
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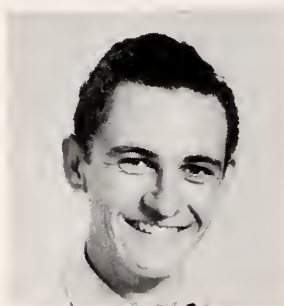
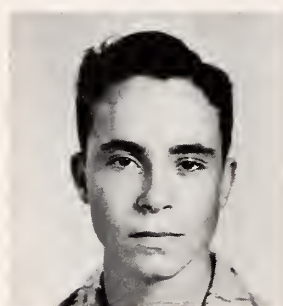
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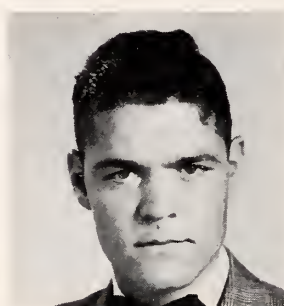
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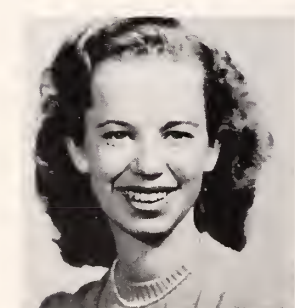
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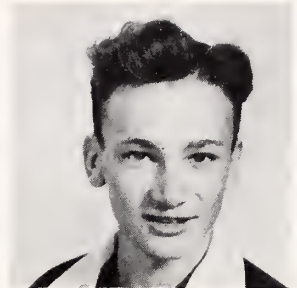
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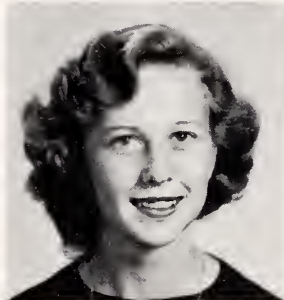
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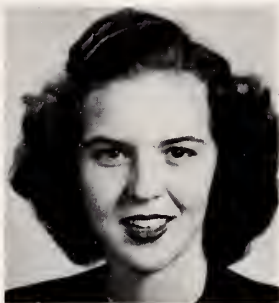
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A large black and white group photograph of the 1946-1947 football team and cheerleaders. The group consists of approximately 35 individuals, including players in football uniforms and cheerleaders in civilian attire, posed in several rows in front of a brick building with large windows. The players are standing in the back rows, while the cheerleaders are in the front rows. The building behind them has a brick facade and large, dark-framed windows.

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A black and white photograph of a large group of students posing in a gymnasium. The students are arranged in two rows, with some kneeling in the front and others standing behind. They are wearing various casual clothing, including sweaters with "FO" and "F" logos. A basketball hoop is visible in the background.

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